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V6 Planning ...

~~take 1 2 3~~

take 4

Revisiting our Approach, Schedule, Process and Goals

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Version 6 Priorities

- **Level 1B Priorities**
 - Improve Spectral Calibration
 - Maintain Channel Properties
 - Improve Dynamic Noise Estimates
- **Level 1C Climate Product (New)**
 - Remove Artifacts from L1B
- **Operations Priorities**
 - Instrument Maintenance and Calibration
 - Trending Performance and Icing

From 10/07 SciTeam Meeting



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Version 6 Priorities

- **Level 2**
 - Bias Trend Removal
 - Improve Boundary Layer Sensitivity
 - Retrieve Surface Emissivity
 - Yield Improvement in Critical Areas
 - Improve Error Estimation
 - RTA Improvement
 - Improve OLR computation
 - Cloud Retrieval Improvement
 - Retrieve Mid Tropospheric CO₂
- **Level 3**
 - Reduce Sampling Bias Effects

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Science Team Participation Critical to Version 6 Objectives

- **Susskind (GSFC)**
 - Surface Parameters (T, e)
 - Boundary Layer T, q
 - Trend Evaluations/Recommendations
 - Improved Error Estimates and QC
 - Cloud/Dust Product Improvement
 - 1 x 3 Retrievals
- **Strow (UMBC)**
 - L1C Algorithm
 - RTA Scattering Algorithm
 - Additional RTA Tasks
 - Dust
 - Cirrus
 - OLR
- **Blackwell (MIT)**
 - SCC/NN Investigation
- **Barnet (NOAA)**
 - Bias Trends Removal
 - Cloud Clearing vs Warmest FOV
 - CO₂
 - SO₂, CH₄, HNO₃, N₂O, O₃
 - CAPE, LI + Convective Products
 - 1x3 (NOAA Interest, SPORT, Forecasters, etc.)
- **Goldberg (NOAA)**
 - Initialization State (Regression Coefficients)
 - Maintain RT System
- **Rosenkranz (MIT)**
 - Updated MW RTA
- **JPL**
 - CO₂ (Chahine)
 - Cirrus (B. Kahn)
 - L1C (H. Aumann)

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V6 Development History

- **Concept Development (October 2007 - April 2008)**
 - First concept discussions at September 2006 Science Team MTG
 - Key features Identified at October 2007 Science Team MTG
- **Research and algorithm development (January 2008 - August 2008)**
 - Several Net-Meetings conducted
 - Status reviewed at every Science Team MTG since V6 inception
 - Testing - six months allocated for comprehensive tests
 - Allotted time - greater than 1 year
 - Yet, we have made little progress in some priority research topics
 - *But, it has not been for lack of trying*





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Version 6 Priorities Level 1B

- **Improve Spectral Calibration**
 - Add modeled spectral shift
 - Work nearly complete, reported at this Science Team
- **Maintain Channel Properties**
 - Designed but not coded
- **Improve Dynamic Noise Estimates**
 - Have not arrived at any significant improvements over current approach



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Version 6 Priorities **Level 1C Climate Product**

- **Create new L1C product by removing artifacts from L1B**
 - Algorithms defined for the following:
 - Clean-up of Outliers (needs validation)
 - Gap filling (needs validation)
 - Radiance resampling to a fixed frequency grid
 - Have not determined output format/process



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Version 6 Priorities Level 2

- **Bias Trend Removal - discussion still, some ideas, we have a plan.**
 - This critical issue is still open
 - Three components contribute to the bias trend, two are understood:
 - CO₂
 - Cloud-cleared regression contributes in lower trop.
 - N₂O
 - No solution worked out yet
 - Most recently discussed at this Science Team MTG and will be discussed again today



- **Improve Boundary Layer Sensitivity**
 - Added new cloud-clearing channels, provided some improvement (no metric)
- **Retrieve Surface Emissivity - done at GSFC, needs to be integrated**
 - Work completed, will be presented at this session
- **Yield Improvement in Critical Areas (polar, proximity to storms, above clouds)**
 - Some improvement, esp. over deserts
 - Code needs to be integrated at JPL



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Version 6 Priorities Level 2 (cont'd)

- **Improve Error Estimation**
 - No improvement to date
 - Issue remains open
- **RTA Improvement**
 - Algorithmic work completed, and improves CO₂ and trace gases. This work has not incorporated into anyone's code (GSFC, NOAA or JPL) - *this is an issue!*
 - Dust currently not implemented, but can be incorporated
 - Dust and Frequency Correction are out of scope right now



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Version 6 Priorities Level 2 (cont'd)

- **Improve OLR computation**
 - In process at GSFC, using AER code
- **Add Cloud and Dust Retrievals**
 - Identified spurious cases that can be resolved, but not coded yet. Still refining work at GSFC
 - No other work cloud retrieval work planned
 - No dust retrieval planned



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Version 6 Priorities Level 2 (cont'd)

- **Retrieve Mid Tropospheric CO₂**
 - CO₂ product produced via VPD method as post L2 PGE process
 - Will also incorporate NOAA CO₂ into mainline code - but must evaluate quality and effect of including in PGE. *Also, no knowledge of how NOAA code in main-line retrieval would affect VPD post-retrieval CO₂ retrieval.*



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Version 6 Priorities **Level 2 (cont'd)**

- **Mitigate potential loss of AMSU Channel 5**
 - Improve IR-Only Retrieval
 - Determine if we can continue using AMSU data without Channels 4 and 5 while bringing Channel 7 back into use
 - This is new priority item, as trend analysis indicates that AMSU Channel 5 will fail within six-months to 1 year
 - Work has not begin



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Version 6 Priorities **Level 3**

- **Reduce Sampling Bias Effects**
 - Concept still under development
 - This is not as time-critical as L2 work

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Version 6 Report Card

- **Level 1B Priorities**

- Improve Spectral Calibration
- Maintain Channel Properties
- Allow Dynamic Noise Estimates

Nearly Complete

Designed, Not coded

No significant improvement

- **Level 1C Climate Product (New)**

- Remove Artifacts from L1B

In process



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V6: Development Report Card (cont'd)

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Not resolved

Partially completed

Completed

Completed

Not worked yet

Only minor improvements

Some work completed

Not worked yet

VPD done

NOAA version not

Not worked yet

- **Level 3**

- Reduce Sampling Bias Effects

Not worked yet



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V6: Development Report Card Assessment

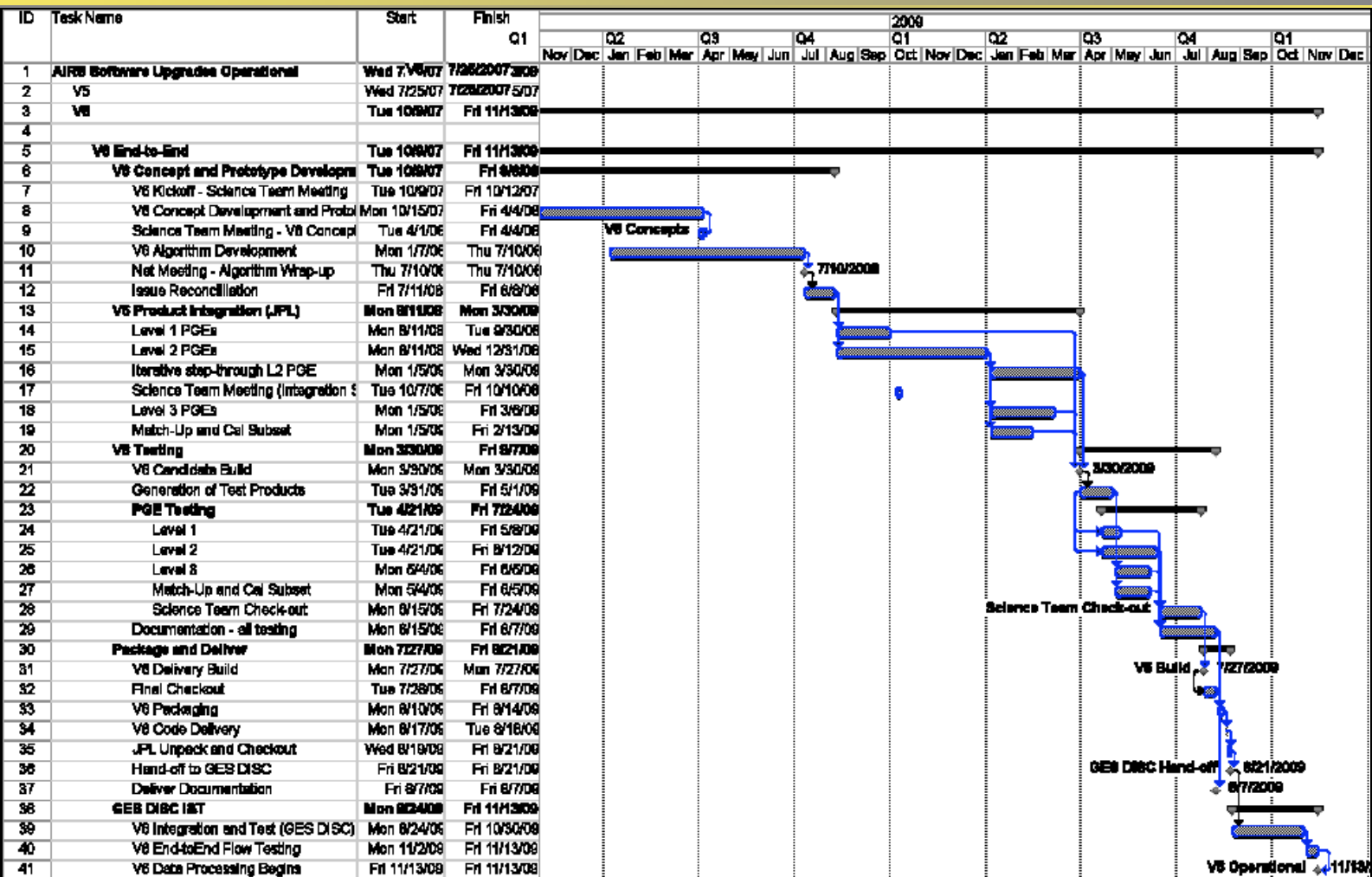
- **Key priority items for V6 still need to be worked**
 - Bias Trend
 - Mitigate potential effects of failure of AMSU Channel 5
 - Other key items (depending on your interest area)
- **V6 Was supposed to enter final integration and test stages in August**
- **We did not get there**
- ***Work must continue, we need to re-plan!***

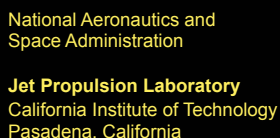


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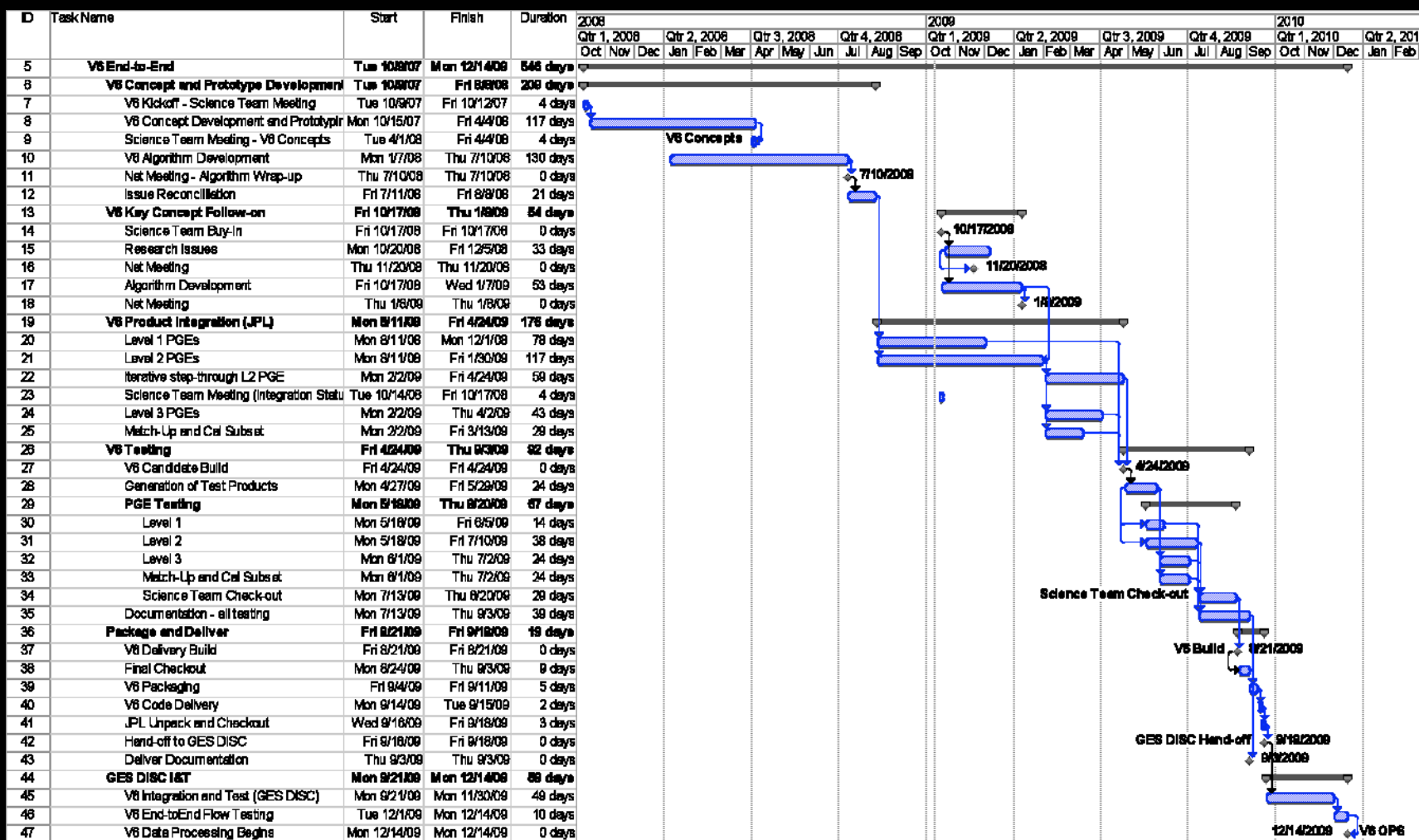
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New V6 Schedule

October 2008 Science Team Meeting

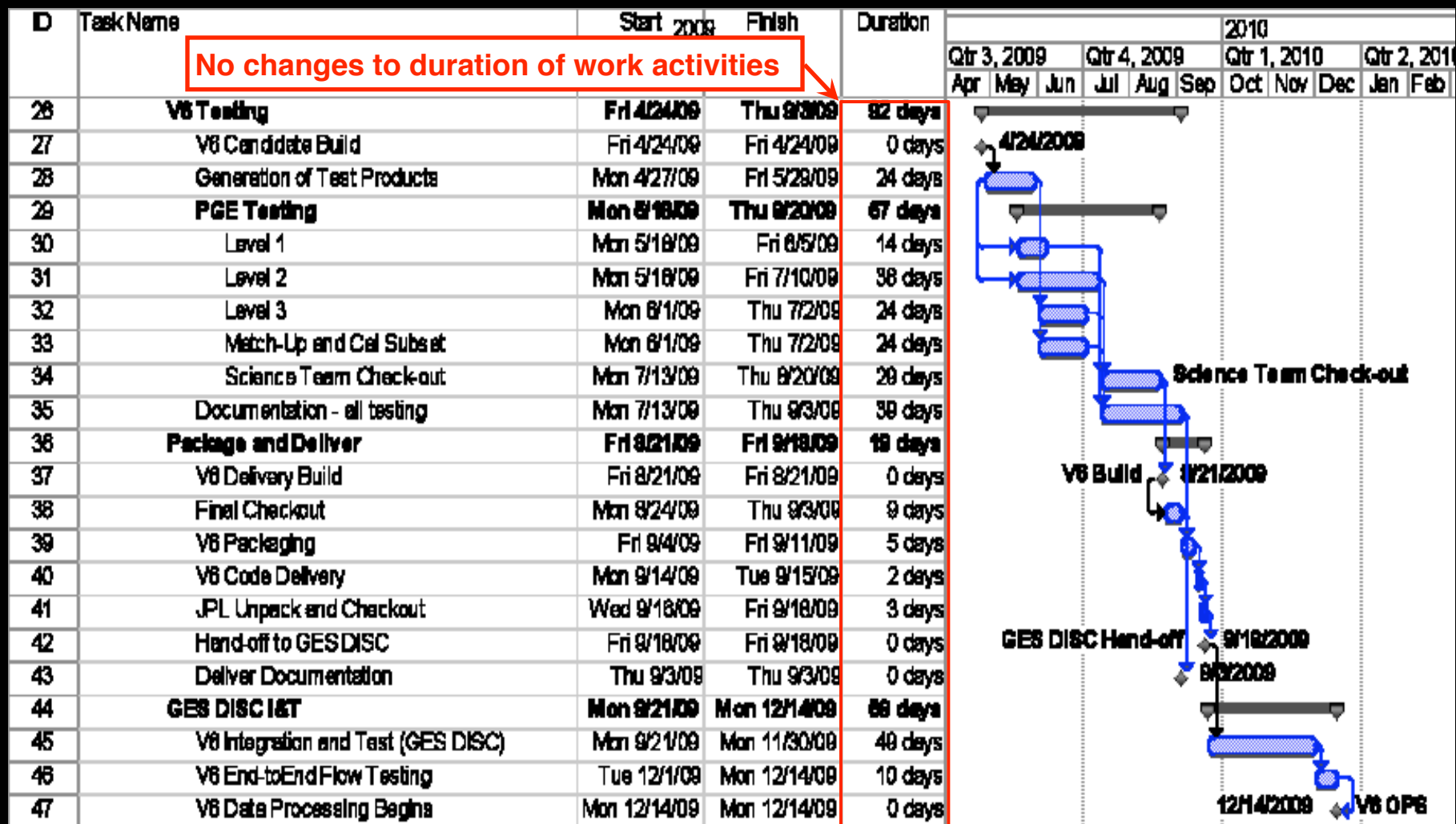




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V6 Schedule Test and Deliver





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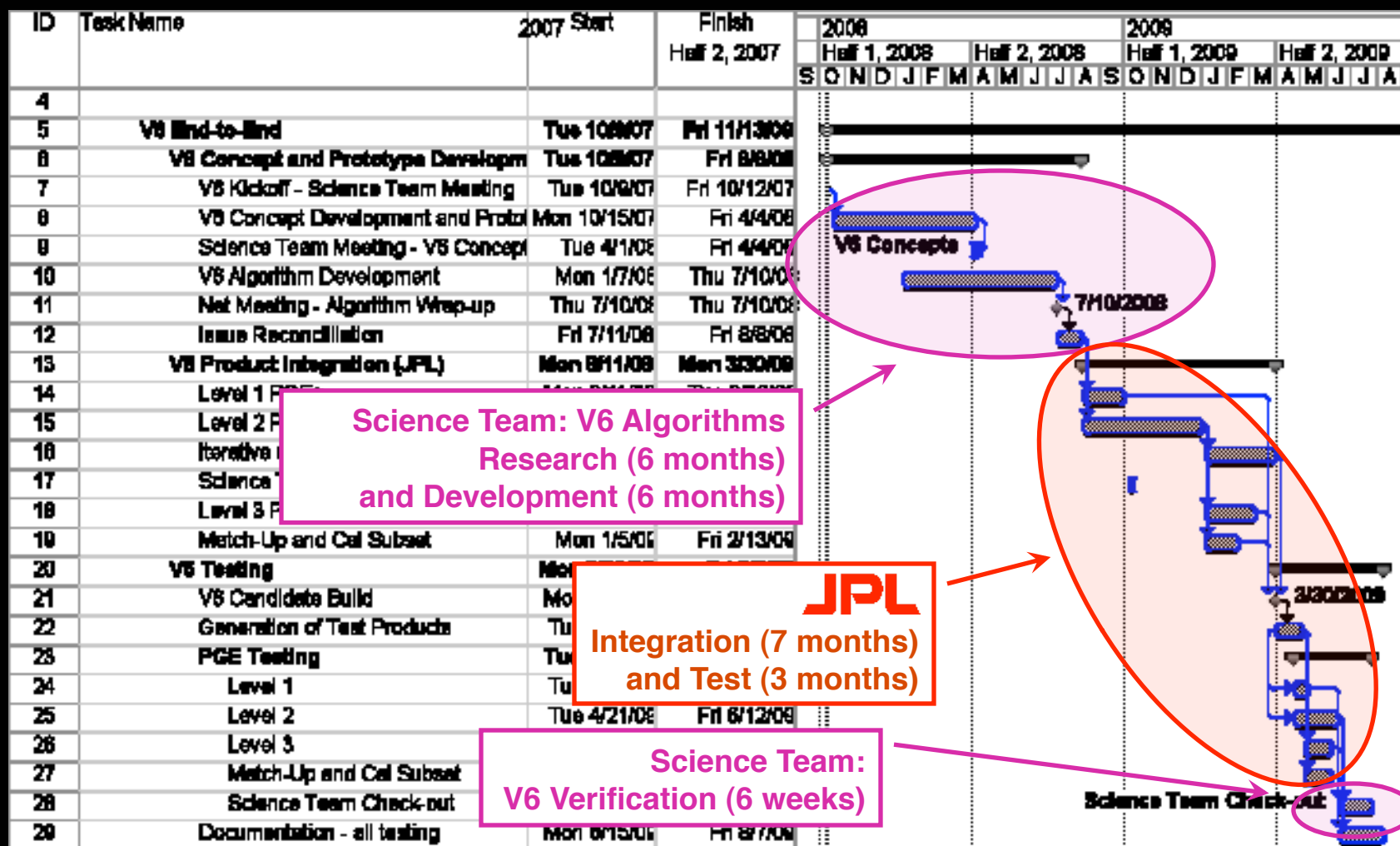
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Historical Version V6 Schedule April and September 2007 Science Team MTGs





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V6 Milestones

- **Schedule includes sufficient time for:**
 - Preliminary investigations / prototyping - six months
 - Total development time - greater than 1 year
 - Testing - three months

V6 Kickoff - Science Team MTG

October 2007

Concept Development and Prototyping ends

April 2008

V6 Content Determination - Science Team MTG

April 2008



We are here now!

V6 Algorithm Development ends

July 2008



Can we do it?

V6 Status - closure issues - Science Team MTG

July 2008

V6 Code Integration at JPL (CCB controlled)

August 2008 - March 2009

V6 Candidate Build

March 2009

V6 Integration and Test

April - June 2009

Science Team Verification of V6 Products

June - July 2009

V6 Delivery to GES DISC

August 2009

V6 Operational

November 2009

